

CHADDS FORD TOWNSHIP SEWER AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021

Board Members: Mark Stookey
Ted Mennicke
Robert Lohr
Dennis Henry

Also Present: Valerie Hoxter, Sewer Authority Manager
James Flandreau, Solicitor-remotely via phone
Tom Leisse, Pennoni Associates
Mike DiSantis, DELCORA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Stookey called the meeting to order, took attendance and reported that a quorum was established, although Board Member, Amanda Konyk, was not in attendance. This meeting is being held in person and the public is welcome to attend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion and second (Mennicke/Lohr) the May 25, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes were approved.

OPERATOR

Mr. DiSantis presented his written report and further reported that there were no violations at either plant during the months of May and June 2021.

The PLC controller digital screen broke at the Ridings Plant possibly caused by a power surge. The screen has been replaced and is working properly.

Mr. Stookey reported that he and Mr. Lohr will be investigating possible new plant operators for 2022 and plan on having a report for the September Regular Board Meeting. Mr. DiSantis assured the Board that DELCORA will work with a new operator during any transition should it become necessary.

Mr. Leisse presented the smoke testing plan and map which includes the vast majority of the Ridings service area. Additional areas will be reviewed by Mr. Leisse and Ms. Hoxter for possible additions to the testing. The estimate for about 15,000 feet of line will be approximately \$10,000. Companies that do this type of work will be contacted and prices will be obtained for the specified work. Late summer or early fall is the timeline for this project to take place. A letter about the smoke testing was sent with the Ridings service area July invoices. More communication will occur with the affected customers, including at a public meeting in September. Door hangers will also be placed on properties included in the areas to be tested a few days prior to the testing.

Upon motion and second (Mennicke/Lohr) authorization for the Chairman or Vice Chairman to approve the contract for smoke testing consistent with the engineer's estimate and scope of work as discussed was approved.

MANAGER

Ms. Hoxter presented her written report and highlighted several items.

As mentioned earlier, a letter explaining the smoke testing was included in the July invoice mailings to Ridings service area customers.

Billing to owners of EDUs that are not connected to the system began with the second quarter invoices.

David Dodge is in the sketch plan phase of a major expansion and has submitted a Sewer Feasibility Application for review by the Authority. The Feasibility Application is being reviewed to determine how the Applicant will connect and the required number of EDUs.

The Turners Mill force main was struck with a backhoe during the construction process which required emergency repair and DEP notification. During the repair process it became necessary to relocate the force main at the plant. This issue delayed the expansion work by approximately two to three weeks and will cost approximately \$50,000, which was not part of the original estimate for this portion of the project.

Work continues on the Ridings I and I issues which includes televising the lines and checking the manholes for damage.

ENGINEER

Mr. Leisse presented his written report.

Even after the delay in construction at the Turners Mill Plant, Mr. Leisse feels the plant will be in post-expansion operation in October 2021.

Drilling work has begun and the pumps for the Ridings conversion are in. Ms. Hoxter stressed the need for an accurate set of As-Builts once the project is complete.

The televising for I and I issues is being performed by KBX with some debris being found in areas.

SOLICITOR

Mr. Flandreau agrees with Ms. Hoxter regarding As-Builts as he stated that the PUC is requiring accurate As-Builts.

TREASURER

Ms. Hoxter presented her written report and pointed out that \$652,041.46 (construction in progress) has been spent so far for the Act 537 Plan Improvements conversion project.

Upon motion and second (Lohr/Mennicke) the June, 2021 ACH and check payments in the amount of \$49,760.35 were approved.

Upon motion and second (Lohr/Henry) the July, 2021 ACH and check payments in the amount of \$61,278.30 were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

The Authority will be investigating their options for separating the Turner's Mill Plant water supply from the Township Building and thus the treatment system within the building.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion and second (Lohr/Henry) the meeting was adjourned at 8:12PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Hoxter